

A BILL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY AND
A CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States
of America in Congress assembled,

APPROVED FOR RELEASE
BY THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
DATE: 2001

DECLARATION OF POLICY

Accordingly, it is hereby declared to be the policy of the people
of the United States that it is the intent of the Government

In enacting this legislation, it is the intent of Congress to
in formulating national policies and conducting relations with other nations,
provide a comprehensive and continuous program which will effectively accom-
plish subject at all times to the paramount objective of securing the defense
and the national intelligence objectives of the United States by supplying the
intelligence and security, the foreign intelligence activities, functions, and
President of the United States, the Secretaries of State, National Defense,
services of the Government be fully coordinated, and, when determined
the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force, and such other governmental officials
concerned with the provisions of this Act, be operated centrally for the
as shall be appropriate, with foreign intelligence of the highest possible
accomplishment of the national intelligence objectives of the United States
caliber. To accomplish these objectives, a central intelligence agency is

required by the United States. This agency shall insure the production of
the foreign intelligence necessary to enable the appropriate officials of the
Government to be informed fully in their dealings with other nations, and to
enable these officials to formulate national policies and plans which this
Government is to pursue in order to avert future armed conflicts and assure
the common defense and security of the United States. The accomplishment of
this service comprises the national intelligence objectives of the United States.

Experience preceding, during, and following two World Wars has
proved that the uncoordinated decentralization of the collection, research,
and dissemination of foreign intelligence information among many departments
and agencies of the Government is unsatisfactory. In an attempt to remedy this
situation in times of national crises, emergency means have repeatedly been
adopted. These experiences have shown the need for a permanent, centralized,
intelligence agency so that all the foreign intelligence sources and facilities
of the Government may be utilized to the fullest extent in the production of
foreign intelligence, and so that their greatest potentialities may be
realized most efficiently and economically, with a resultant elimination of
unproductive duplication and unnecessary overlapping of functions in the
accomplishment of the national intelligence objectives of the United States.